

CHESHIRE COUNTY, NH

Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1997	1992	1987
Farms			
Number	293	219	231
Acreage	41,651	33,935	38,216
Average size (acres)	142	155	165
Median size (acres)	70	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	367,020	459,296	435,372
Machinery/equip (dollars)	44,812	42,581	38,610
Cropland (acres)			
Total	12,301	11,868	14,475
Harvested	9,801	9,235	10,068
Irrigated	165	85	85
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	27,534	18,431	18,731
(dollars avg. per farm)	93,972	84,158	81,086
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	28,352	24,218	23,303
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	5,523	5,522	6,052
Beef cows	268	263	325
Milk cows	2,656	2,509	3,067
Hogs and pigs	206	408	244
Sheep and lambs	844	1,520	1,447
Layers 13 wks or/older	D	D	96,525
Broilers and chicken (sold)	D	D	D
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Corn, grain or seed	D	600	245
Corn, silage or green chop	2,197	1,939	2,269
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	N	N	N
Barley	N	N	N
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	N	N	N
Soybeans	N	N	N
Dry edible beans, excl limas	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	N	N	N
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alfalfa	6,948	6,321	7,905
Vegetables			
Number of farms	24	29	13
Acreage	203	249	125

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Orchards			
Number of farms	20	19	12
Acreage	168	143	85

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture